

IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

--Claim 1. (Cancelled)

Claim 2. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 1, ~~characterised in~~
that ~~7~~, wherein the extinguishing nozzles (10, 11, 12, 14, 18, 21) feature nozzle inserts (25)
which generate an extinguishing mist.

Claim 3. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 1, ~~characterised in~~
that ~~7~~, wherein the resting pressure is equal to the ambient pressure.

B! Claim 4. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 1, ~~characterised in~~
that ~~7~~, wherein the resting pressure is greater than the ambient pressure, and the supply line (6,
16, 7, 8, 9, 17, 19, 24) comprises a pressure sensor.

Claim 5. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 1, ~~characterised in~~
that ~~7~~, wherein several extinguishing nozzles (10, 11, 12, 14, 18, 21) are connected to the
connection end (7a, 8a, 9a, 17a, 24a) of the supply line (6, 16, 7, 8, 9, 17, 19, 24) by means of a
branching element (15, 23).

Claim 6. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 5, ~~characterised in~~
~~that wherein~~ the extinguishing nozzles (10, 11, 12, 14, 18, 21) are in each case connected via an
intermediate line (22) to the branching element (23).

Claim ~~7~~¹. (New) A device for extinguishing fires comprising:

extinguishing nozzles arranged in areas of a structure;

a supply line filled with extinguishing fluid;

an extinguishing fluid supply device; and

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a bursting disk, wherein said extinguishing nozzles are connected to a connection end of
the supply line connecting the extinguishing nozzles to the extinguishing fluid supply device,
said fluid supply device imposing the extinguishing fluid under pressure onto the supply line in
the event of fire and wherein the bursting disk is arranged about the connection end of the supply
line, said bursting disk bursting when the extinguishing fluid in the supply line reaches a
predetermined bursting pressure, so that the extinguishing fluid flows unimpeded into the
extinguishing nozzles, wherein the extinguishing fluid fills the supply line and is at a resting
pressure which is lower than the bursting pressure when the device for extinguishing fires is in a
quiescent state.

Claim ~~8~~⁷. (New) The device of claim ~~7~~¹, wherein the structure comprises buildings
or ships.